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Dear Jimmie,

"Old Adjutants never die - they just get more work piled on them."

I hope this writing finds you and your wife are enjoying your semi-retirement but most of all, that you're in good health.

Jim, could you please give the enclosed request from Arthur T. Morimitsu preferential treatment. For the past years I've done all possible to preach the plight of the Nisei. While their parents and family were put into American concentration camps in WWII, the Nisei fought the great battle to preserve our Nation. They were the most decorated unit in WWII and only ask that their parents and families, who were subjected to this embarrassment be recognized as the family of American decorated service men.

They need our help Jim. Please do all possible.

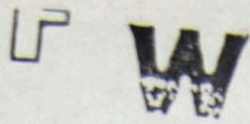
Sincerely your friend,

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Enc.

CC: Arthur T. Morimitsu  
Motomo Nakasako



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Dear Mori and Virginia,

I received your March 8, 1986 letter and other information and hasten to write to you. The Nisei have much to thank you for. I'm sure, they would be quite a bit behind in their effort to advance the plight of the Nisei to rectify a great wrong doing. Every minority has been pampered and recognized except those that suffered the worst. Hopefully the end will justify the means. One of the fellows in Monterey said, "that Morimitsu is a real worker." My answer to him was, wasn't it Abe Lincoln that said, "If you want a job done, give it to a busy man . . . . because the other fellow doesn't have the time."

As you requested, I'm writing to our office in Virginia and will ask my friend, immediate past State Adjutant, Jimmie Booth to notify all concerned of this most needed project. As a concerned citizen I'm doing all I possibly can to educate others to the great part of American history given to this nation by the 442, the MIS and the 100th Battalion. Much more, that the American youth who will be our future leaders, be taught the history of the Nisei and the wrong doing to their parents and families.

Hopefully Mori we'll see this day before we're called to rest.

Most sincerely your friend,

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Both Vater and Nakasako died over the past year. Both were very influential and will be missed a great deal.